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A new comment has been submitted at socotransmission.com

COMMENT

Meeting Attended:

Important Issues:

Land Use (Agriculture, Residential, Recreation), Radio or Television Interference, Noise, Health and Safety, Project Purpose and Need, Visual / Aesthetic Resources, Proximity to Residences

Property Uses:

Agriculture, Residential

Comment:

September 20th, 2009

To Whom It May Concern:

It has come to my attention recently that there are plans to place several 150ft Power lines across our Family's property in LaVeta Acers in Southern Colorado. This is a big concern for my family and I for many reasons. We own over one-hundred acres (lots #15, #16, and #18) across which you plan to route the high voltage power lines as depicted on your maps. Our property, I am sure you are aware, is situated at approximately 9,000ft in elevation with a point that overlooks Highway 160 with views to the East towards LaVeta and the West to Muleshoe pass. The view is just breath taking. My father-nlaw was very fond of our family property for its environment that is like none in our state. Every one of us has fallen in love with our mountain "Home Away From Home". It was my deceased father-n-law's wishes that the tradition of the family property live on from generation to generation.

Since 1982, 4 generations of our family have enjoyed our times in the crisp high mountain air. One of the things we look forward to is that first breath of spruce scented air when we arrive, so different from the brown air we live with back home. We enjoy watching all the wildlife that shares our piece of nature. Unlike the photos of barren land, you show on your website, our property is heavily wooded

and nowhere near flat.

These towers and the clear-cut rite-of-way that goes along with them will cut through the center of our property. This will ruin the beauty and serenity of the area and have a negative effect on the animals that are inhabitants. We come to our place in LaVeta to get away from smog, noise and all the other pollutants. If your proposal goes through, we will have to worry about static electricity and electromagnetic fields when we get to our mountain. This is not why we purchased this treasured property so many years ago.

It may be a coincidence but today as I was writing this, I opened my book, "My Personal Daily Prayer Book", to read the prayer for today, September 20th. It stated, "God, I read the billboard protesting the pollution of our air and water. May my response convey my commitment to its message- more than simply donating to good causes. Creator God, have compassion on us, who continue to destroy this amazing planet we call home, more out of our love of convenience than any maliciousness. Forgive us for moving mountains and hills to make room for strip malls and parking lots. Thank you for calling us to be good stewards of this planet you've created and given us. Amen'. It speaks of mountains...our mountain, it speaks of destroying nature...our natural spot, it speaks of doing this for convenience...so called improved grids. It could just be a coincidence, but I think it is more of a

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I-270-001: Visual and Aesthetic (In Review)

Your email/letter/comment form has been received and your comment noted. Potential impacts to visual and aesthetic resources from the proposed project and mitigation measures will be addressed in the Environmental Impact Statement.

The Environmental Impact Statement is anticipated to be completed in late 2010 and will be available at

http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/ea.htm.

I-270-002: Environmental Consequences (In Review)

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The Environmental Impact Statement is anticipated to be completed in late 2010 and will be available at

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I-270-003: Electrical Characteristics (In Review)

Your email/letter/comment form has been received and your comment noted. Electrical characteristics of the proposed project and mitigation measures will be addressed in the Environmental Impact Statement.

The Environmental Impact Statement is anticipated to be completed in late 2010 and will be available at

http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/ea.htm.

message to me that this defacing and improper use of our mountain property is wr ong and should not be allowed. Elizabeth Schauman LaVeta Acres (Lots #15, #16 and #18) Humble, Texas

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